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Leertouwer, Huyman, And Huiberts,

Have imported in the last Vessels from Holland, Superfine, middling and coarse broadcloths, German of naburgs, Ravens duck, Russia sheeting, ditto drilling, fine and coarse Dutch linens, calicoes, chintzes, coarse hats, diapers, checks, silk handkerchiefs, gauzes, a variety of ribbons, laces, half bleached sewing thread from No. 16 to 50, nonso-pretties, tapes, ready-made shirts, worsted stockings, 8 by 10 window-glass, nails of all sizes, padlocks, coffee-mills, candlesticks with handles, lamps with ditto, shovels, hatchets, frying-pans, chafing-dishes, trevits, gridirons, smoothing-irons, table knives and forks, chopping-knives, powder, shot, all kinds of paints, glass and queen's ware, blue and white coffee-cups, Dutch gin in cases and jugs, French cordials in large and small boxes, Frontigniac wine in cases of 12 bottles.—They have also for sale continental rum in hogheads, tierces and barrels, and a variety of other articles, which they intend to dispose of on the most reasonable terms, by wholesale only.
Alexandria, Feb. 15, 1785.

Just imported from London, and to be Sold by Wholesale, by

William Deakins, jun.

At his Store in George-Town, the following Articles, viz.

Superfine, fine and coarse broadcloths, duffels, Bath coatings, fearnoughts, powder, shot, barrel, candles, soap, camblets, corduroys, black alamodes, silk and linen handkerchiefs, cloth cardinals, Irish sheetings, dowlas, Irish linens, pewter basons, dishes and plates, tin and glass ware of all kinds, bed tickings, German of naburgs, brown rolls, thread and silk stockings, gauzes, cambricks, diaper tablecloths, working canvas, black silk florentines, rich brocaded lustrings, fashionable bonnets, ditto silk cardinals and shades, worked muslin aprons, saddlers' ware and tools, lump sugar, double and single refined ditto, all kinds of teas, ginger, sulphur, nails of all sorts, guns, andirons with brass heads, locks, hinges, desk furniture, brass chafing-dishes, candlesticks, spades, pickaxes, several pair of fashionable pint silver cans, fashionable set knee-buckles, gold sleeve-buttons, mens' and womens' gloves, blond and thread lace, a great variety of ostrich feathers, seine twine, saltpetre, &c. &c.
February 14, 1785.

THE Subscriber has on hand about Eleven Hundred Pounds, sterling, worth of MEDICINES, SHOP-FURNITURE and SURGEONS INSTRUMENTS, a large proportion thereof not yet opened, and all imported from Europe within eight months past; which quantity being found much too large for the common demand of this place, he will divide the whole with any gentleman in want of such a supply, and sell one half at first cost by the invoice:—Any person inclining to purchase will find the Medicines well assorted, and laid in on as advantageous terms as any that have been imported since the peace; and they may be divided for the most part without breaking packages.—The other half he will retail by the pound, for ready money or short credit, at an advance of 25 per cent. on the original cost, which is considerably lower than they are sold by retail any where on the continent.

W. BROWN.

Alexandria, Feb. 8, 1785.

TO BE SOLD,

THREE valuable Negro MEN, well acquainted with the Ropemaking Business.—Inquire of CHARLES STEWART at Annapolis.
Feb. 9, 1785.

Just Imported from London, in the Brigantine Fitzhugh, and now opening for Sale by

Robert Allison,

A Large and general Assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the present and approaching Season, which will be Sold on the lowest Terms for Cash, Tobacco Flour and Wheat.
Alexandria, Feb. 15, 1785.

William Lowry,

And

Company,

Have for Sale the following European GOODS, for Cash, Tobacco, Ginger, Snakeroot, Sarlaparrilla, Skins, or short Credit, viz.

Superfine and refine cloths, cassimers, tablecloths, ratteens, coatings, Salisbury cloths, a variety of Irish linens, calicoes, calamancoes, russels, tammies, durants, moreens, fatinets, lastings, corduroys, fustians, jeans, cotton and linen checks, fouslee, striped, spotted and plain gauzes, handkerchiefs, ribbons, modes, satins, Marfeilles quilting, mullin stripes, German cords, demities, naukeens of the best quality, cotton, thread and worsted hose, writing-paper, wafer pens, quills, blank books, counting-house ditto, sealing-wax, threads, pins, laces, bag buttons, twist, bindings, hardware, ironmongery, nails, &c.

As W. Lowry proposes shortly to return to England, it is earnestly requested that all those indebted to the house would make speedy payment.—They will give Cash for good Tobacco.
Alexandria, Feb. 8, 1785.

TO BE SOLD,

On Monday the 7th of March next, before Mr. WILLIAM M'DANIEL's Door, in the Town of Dumfries,

TWELVE SLAVES, belonging to the personal estate of the Rev. Mr. JAMES SCOTT, deceased, consisting of Men, Women and Children; and on Friday in the same week, at Westwood, in Prince-William County, the remainder of the Household Furniture, belonging to the said estate, consisting of tables, chairs, bedsteads, one bed and furniture, a neat pier glass, and other articles too tedious to enumerate.—Credit will be allowed for all sums exceeding Forty Shillings for twelve months, the purchasers giving bond and approved security, to bear interest from the date, if not punctually paid.

T. BLACKBURN, Administrator.

Those who have claims against the said estate are desired to bring them in, that provision may be made for payment; and those indebted to it, either by bond or open account, are requested to discharge the same as speedily as possible.

Rippon-Lodge, Feb. 8, 1785.

WHEREAS sundry persons from Alexandria have made a practice of going on my land and cutting wood, and have also been dealing with my Negroes, I do hereby give this public notice, that I have employed a man to guard my property, and that any person found trespassing, or dealing with my Negroes in any manner whatever, shall be prosecuted with the utmost rigor.

THOMAS H. HANSON.

Feb. 14, 1785.

For Sale, for Cash or Country Produce,

A Few Pipes of choice Madera Wine, Jamaica Rum fit for present Use, of high Proof and excellent Flavour.

Claret in small Boxes of 24 and 3 Dozen each.

A few Kegs of Scotch Barley and Herrings.

WILLIAM HUNTER, jun.

Alexandria, Jan. 18, 1785.

William Hartshorne

And

Company,

Have for sale at their Store in Alexandria, A Quantity of molasses, coffee and muscovado sugar, just arrived in the schooner Virginia, Capt. Davis, from the West-Indies.—They have also for sale, by large or small quantities, alum salt, continental rum, bar-iron, steel, train oil, mackerel, soap and candles by the box, with a variety of dry-goods as usual.

They give Ready-Money and a good price for Wheat and Indian-Corn.

February 14, 1785.

WHEREAS some evil-minded Person or Persons have maliciously reported that I have given up my House, and quit entertaining Gentlemen—I therefore think it my Duty to inform the Public in general, and my former Customers in particular, that I still keep my House for the Accommodation of Gentlemen as usual.

JOHN LOMAX.

Alexandria, Feb. 9, 1785.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the subscriber on the night of the 12th instant, a likely black raw-boned country-born Fellow, named WILL, who is very artful and roguish, and is supposed to have been guilty of felony which is the supposed cause of his elopement; he is about forty years of age of the middle size, stands wide between the knees, and when standing stoops in his knees, has long slim feet, large ankles, long heels, and has a hump on his breast; he is a very handy fellow in plantation business, drives carriages well, a good ploughman, can stock ploughs, understands stacking and mowing, and can do the common carpenter jobs necessary on a plantation; having a variety of clothes his dress cannot be described.—Eight Dollars will be given if taken up twenty-five miles from home or under, and reasonable travelling charges paid if brought home, and so in proportion to the amount of the above reward.—Said Negro is supposed to be in company with white men on their way to the southern States.

LEWIS ELLZEY.

Feb. 14, 1785.

TEN GUINEAS REWARD.

RAN away on the 21st of January last two English servants, viz. WILLIAM CASEY, about five feet seven or eight inches high, twenty-eight years of age, by trade a bricklayer; his head is rather large, has brown straight hair, and a scar on the left side of his chin.—WILLIAM HUBBLE, about five feet six inches high, twenty-six years of age, by trade a bricklayer, and has dark brown hair sometimes tied.—They have been at Alexandria and sold some of their clothes and tools.—Whoever apprehends the said Men, and gives notice to EDWARD VIELER, at Annapolis in Maryland, shall receive the above reward, or FIVE GUINEAS for either of them, and all reasonable charges.

Feb. 3, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given to whom it may concern, that I intend to apply to the next General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to have a deed recorded that I got from JOHN MOXLEY, of Loudon County, for a tract of land in Hampshire County, on Patterson's Creek, for which I have paid the whole consideration, and missed having it recorded through my ignorance of the laws of the said Commonwealth.—The said John Moxley was to have made me a deed, but was prevented by death.

CONROD MYRE.

February 10, 1785.

LEGHORN, October 29.

ADVICE has been received here, that the Venetian Squadron, under the command of the Chevalier Emo, has bombarded the town of Sufa, in the Tunisian territories, and destroyed two-thirds of it.

Paris, Nov. 15. Orders have already been expedited for victualing the troops destined for Flanders. The Dutch Ambassadors will to-morrow receive their answer from the Count de Vergennes; that from Vienna cannot be looked for before the 28th of this month. It is reported that the King's interference with the Emperor has been of the most pressing nature, though in terms of friendship and alliance.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

Extract of a letter from Amsterdam, Nov. 25.

"We learn from Utrecht, that the Colleges of State of that province have determined to arm all the inhabitants, both of the country and towns, from the age of 18 to 60."

Thirty-two British officers are said to be the number inhumanly murdered by Tippoo Saib in cold blood, after the surrender of Badinore: They were put to death two each day, according to their seniority of rank, by pouring scalding oil upon their heads; a species of Oriental torture, thus devised, in order to force from the wretched victims, a confession where the treasure of the garrison was supposed to be concealed!

In consequence of the cruelties exercised by Tippoo Saib upon General Matthews and his officers, the officers in the service of the Company have resolved, that in future wars they will neither give nor take quarter.

December 1.

Extract of a letter from Florence, Oct. 20.

"The Duchess of Albany arrived here at the house of the Pretender, her father, on the 7th inst. their interview was very affecting, her father not having seen her since she was six years of age. Her arrival was no sooner known to the Grand Duke, than he sent one of his gentlemen to compliment her; and the Pretender having expressed a wish that the box given her at the theatre might be distinguished from the common ones, the Grand Duke ordered it to be ornamented in the same manner as that of the Grand Duchess, with tapestry fringed with gold. When the Duchess of Albany went to the opera, the court and city honored her on her passage; and as she is both young and beautiful, being dressed in the Parisian taste, and ornamented with all her father's jewels, she cut a splendid figure. Her father was enchanted at her reception; and it is hoped this fine young lady will make him happy in his old age."

A letter from Lisbon says, that two American ships lately arrived there, loaded with wheat and flour, but the commanders would not suffer any part of their cargo to be landed till they had assurance of being paid for them in cash, and not afterwards stopped for having so much Portugal money on board; what put them upon their guard was, that just as they came into the harbour, an English vessel was stopped on that account, but got released at the intercession of the English Consul.

DUBLIN, November 15.

Last Saturday, in his Majesty's Court of King's Bench, Counsel was heard in behalf of Henry Stevens, Reily, Esq; on a rule to shew cause why an attachment should not issue against him, for having, as High Sheriff of the County of Dublin, convened and presided at meetings of his bailiwick on the 31st of July and the 9th of August last, for illegal purposes. Four Counsel on each side only were allowed; on the part of the Crown the Right Hon. the Attorney-General, the Solicitor-General, Prime-Sergeant, and —; on that of the defendant, Counsellors Caldbeck, Sheridan, Hussey (the Recorder) and Smith: By the time these gentlemen (except Mr. Smith, who referred himself to reply) had spoken, it growing late, the Court adjourned the final hearing until to-morrow, to which time the public expectation is suspended.

The Castle Hacks give out that the long-wished-for protecting duties will at length be granted. They have named two persons as plenipotentiaries from our Parliament, to confer with the English Ministry, on the mode and quantum of the sums, the articles on which they are to be imposed, and other similar regulations, in the mutual dealings between Great-Britain and Ireland.

CHARLESTON, December 28.

Yesterday put in here in distress, the brig Friendship, Captain Murray, from Halifax, bound to Virginia.

Piracy under American Colours.

The schooner Free-Mason, formerly called the Nancy, the property of the subscriber, was piratically taken away from him by the Captain and his crew, having just gone ashore for information previous to

entry, on the 3d inst. within sight of Cape-Francois, in the island of Haitiola. A reward of one hundred Spanish millidollars is hereby offered to any person or persons, who can give any information whereby the proprietor may recover his vessel and cargo. The schooner, remarkably long; Philadelphia built, 25 tonurthen, 55 feet keel, and from 13 to 24 feet beam painted on her sides white, yellow, red and green, 1 on her stern are emblems of masonry; on the deck is fixed a large false cable, at the end of which the binnacle, and an iron stove for baking; the entrance to the cabin is by two steps, and through a double door painted green, the inside is papered, hite and yellow; a small distance from the steps a contrivance for depositing provisions, &c. that los with a French padlock; in the cabin are four sleeping places, two of which serve as presses, and contain sundry merchandises, silks, Flanders linen amaca, and paper-hangings.

Description of the Crew.

Francis Hughes, the Captain, a native of Port-Louis, in Brittany; abt 25 years old, 5 feet 4 inches high, yellow complexion, with black hair and eye-brows.

Theobald Bush, an Inman, about 30 years old, 5 feet 2 inches high, hestnut-coloured hair and eye-brows, full-faced, at very much marked with the small-pox.

John Pilot, a native of the environs of Bourdeaux; about 28 years old, 5 feet 3 inches high, very meagre, black hair and eye-brows, and remarkable small eyes.

Marion Bese, a native of Brittany, about 28 years old, 5 feet 1 inch high, fl-faced, and very large eyes.

Peter Pauget, a native of Berne, about 35 years old, 5 feet 1 inch high, very lean, and black complexion.

Thomas Carwin, a native of Pumage, in Normandy, cabin-boy, a lively youth, about 15 years old, and 5 feet high.

CHARLES TRAVERS,

Kingston, Jamaica, Nov. 19, 1784.

As the subscriber returns to Hispaniola, he requests of any who can give information of the above atrocious act of piracy, to declare the same to Mr. A. Lindo, merchant of this town.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 8.

We feel extreme concern in announcing the death of Major Robert Molleson, formerly a merchant in Maryland; a billious disorder has deprived the world of a most amiable ornament of society, the loss of whom is sincerely regretted by a very extensive acquaintance in Europe and America.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.

We hear from New-York, that Congress, a few days since, appointed Mr. Gervais, of South-Carolina, Mr. Osgood, of Massachusetts-Bay, and Mr. Walter Livingston, of New-York, Commissioners to the Board of Treasury.

By several gentlemen arrived in town from New-York, we learn, that the December British packet got up to that city on Saturday last, and we are informed, brings the important news of the Emperor of Germany having given up his claim for opening the Scheldt, as he found that other European powers, so far from countenancing him, had declared in favor of Holland. This news is confirmed by letters brought by the packet, whose Captain also mentioned it to our correspondent.

On Monday last arrived here Colonel Francis Johnson, one of the Commissioners for holding a treaty with the Indians, by whom we learn, that the treaty was happily concluded with them, about twelve days ago, at Fort McIntosh, to the general satisfaction of both parties. At this treaty the State hath purchased of the Indians, all the land within the original grant of this State. They also fixed the bounds of the Indian territories with this State, which neither party are to transgress, and any crime committed, is to be punished by the suffering party, agreeable to the laws of their country. They have also opened the trade into the Indian country.

On Friday the 21st ult. at a meeting of the Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia, for promoting useful knowledge, the following gentlemen were elected members, viz.

Frederick Eugene Francis, Baron de Beelen Bertholff, Imperial Counsellor of Commerce to the United States; Brussels. Samuel Gustavus, Baron Hermelin, of Stockholm; Sweden. William Bradford, Esquire, Attorney-General of Pennsylvania. Edward Burd, Esquire, Prothonotary of the Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania. Dr. Adair Crawford, Physician of St. Thomas's Hospital; London. Doctor John Carson of Philadelphia. The Reverend Manasseh Cutler of Ipswich, Massachusetts. The Count de Guichen, Lieutenant-General in the French Naval Armies; France. Andrew Ellicot, Esquire, Maryland. Doctor William Griffiths of Philadelphia. Doctor Hugh James, of Montego-Bay, Jamaica. Mr. Joseph Mandrillon, merchant of Amsterdam. Brigadier-General Thaddeus; Ke-

zenzook. Mr. Herchell of Bath, in England. Doctor James M'Henry of Baltimore in Maryland. James Maddison, Esquire, of Virginia. The Reverend Henry Muhlenberg of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Christ. Fred. Michaelis, M. D. of Gottingen. M. William Parker of London. The Honorable Mann Page, Esquire, of Fredericksburg, Virginia. Thomas Payne, Esquire, Author of Common Sense. Charles Pettit, Esquire, of Philadelphia. Dr. Robert Percival, Professor of Chymistry, Trinity College, Dublin. The Reverend Doctor Richard Price, F. R. S. London. The Reverend Joseph Priestly, L. L. D. F. R. S. Birmingham. The Reverend Doctor Samuel S. Smith, Vice-President of the College of Nassau-Hall, Princeton, New-Jersey. Monsieur Jean Baptiste Sise, junior, Surgeon and Professor of Anatomy; Paris. Colonel George Wall, of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania. Mr. Benjamin Workman, Teacher of the Mathematica in the University of Pennsylvania.

Extract from the minutes,

SAMUEL MAGAW,

one of the Secretaries.

Feb. 14. The affairs of Europe appear pregnant with consequences most alarming to humanity. The dire train of general discord is laid—the match is already lighted—and every attention is engaged, at who shall apply it. The greatest warlike preparations are making throughout the Emperor of Germany's dominions, France, Holland, Russia and Prussia. Though situated remote from the theatre of action, and by our distance unconnected with the issue, we cannot, however, help lamenting the turbulence of those spirits, that for mere punctilios of court etiquette can involve whole kingdoms in the horrors of war, and want only to massacre thousands of their inhabitants.

Feb. 15. The sloop Susannah, Capt. William Earle, jun. of Providence, is arrived at Charleston, South-Carolina, from the river Mississippi, where the Spaniards would not permit him to trade, nor allow him to proceed up to New-Orleans. On his arrival in the river, a number of soldiers were sent on board his vessel, and a boat despatched to New-Orleans, which returned in eight days with orders for him to put to sea immediately. Several other American vessels, as well as some British, had been compelled to quit the river, previous to the arrival of Capt. Earle.

February 16.

Extract of a letter from London, dated Nov. 30.

"A revolution in the French Ministry has been threatened; as the Queen expresses her disapprobation of the arms of France being turned against her Imperial brother, whilst Vergennes urges a due observance of national faith, pledged to Holland."

The following is a list of the Imperial troops destined for the Low Countries:

Infantry. The regiments of Ligne, Kaunitz, Clairfayt, Vierzet, Murry, Bonder, Preyst, Latterman, Dentmeister, Migazzi, and Tillier, two battalions of Croats, with 280 Chasseurs, 132 artilleryists, four battalions of militia levied on the frontiers, 300 Chasseurs of Tyrol, a body of 500 hussars, and another of 600 Bouillons.

Cavalry and Dragoons. The regiments of Cobourg, Tuscany and Arberg, with four divisions, and their squadrons of reserve; the regiments of Warmser, with five divisions.

The artillery is very large, and the Generals of this numerous army are Messrs. Alton and Slade for the infantry, and Harrach and Lelior for the cavalry.

Feb. 17. On Thursday last arrived in this city, Arthur Lee, Esq; one of the Honorable Commissioners of the United States for Indian affairs, on his way to New-York, to make report to Congress of their proceedings with the northern and western Indians.

The honorable peace which this gentleman and his colleagues have established, and the very advantageous cession of territory they have obtained for the United States, will, it is said, be highly satisfactory to the public; and reflect great honor upon themselves.

ALEXANDRIA, February 24.

On Thursday, the Third Instant, was married at Annapolis, the Honorable JOHN F. MERCER, Esq; one of the Delegates representing this Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States, to Miss — SPRIGGS, eldest Daughter of RICHARD SPRIGGS, Esq; of that City.

His Britannic Majesty's Packet Speedy, Captain D'Auvergne, will sail from New-York, with the Mail for Falmouth, on the 4th of next Month. The Mail will be closed the preceding Day.

NAVAL-OFFICE, ALEXANDRIA.

Inward Entries. Brig William and Henry, T. Simmons, from Salem; Schooner Adams, A. Row, Gloucester; Ship Leda, S. Dunn, Hispaniola.

Cleared Outwards. Schooner Success, S. Parker, for Nova-Scotia; Brig Ann, G. Fanshaw, Liver-pool; Brig May, W. Haskell, Patuxent.

STATE of the PUBLIC TAXES to be collected in the year 1785, due under the Revenue Law for 1784.

ON land.—30 s. in the 100 l. or 1½ per cent. ad valorem, to be collected in manner following: 20 s. in the 100 l. or 1 per cent. ad valorem, distrainable for the 10th of October last, and payable into the Treasury the 10th of November last; and the remainder, or 10 s. in the 100 l. being half per cent. ad valorem, distrainable for the 31st of January, 1785, and payable into the Treasury the 25th of March, 1785.

On all slaves of both sexes and of all ages, 10 s. each.

On every free male above the age of 21 years, 10 s.

On every horse, mare, colt and mule, except covering horses, 2 s.

On every covering horse, the sum such horse covers one mare at the season.

On cattle of all ages, for each 3 d.

On all riding carriages 6 s. per wheel.

On every billiard-table, 15 l.

On every ordinary license, 5 l.

The above taxes for the year 1784, on free males and property, as also the tax on slaves are distrainable for the 31st of January, 1785, and payable into the Treasury on or before the 25th day of March, 1785.

By an act of the last session of Assembly one half of the above taxes due under the revenue law for the year 1784, on land, slaves, free males and property, are remitted, and the other half are distrainable for the 1st day of September next, and payable into the Treasury the 1st of November following.

J. AMBLER,

Treasury-Office, Jan. 31, 1785.

Note.—Specie, Auditor's warrants for interest on military certificates; and civil list warrants may be paid to the sheriffs or other collectors in discharge of any of the public taxes whatsoever, due for the year 1784; but the taxes on land and slaves must be paid at the Treasury either in specie, warrants for interest on military certificates, or civil list warrants, except one-tenth or two shillings in the pound of the land tax which may be paid in bills of credit, emitted agreeable to the resolutions of Congress of the 18th of March, 1780.

Note also.—That Auditor's warrants or the under-mentioned funds will be received at the Treasury in discharge of all other taxes due under the revenue law for the year 1784, except the taxes on land and slaves, viz.

Warrants on the contingent and military funds.

Warrants for pensions and present relief to disabled officers and soldiers.

Warrants for payment of money lent the public on requisition of the General Assembly in May, 1780, or of Governor Jefferson.

Warrants for interest on Loan-Office debts registered, or which shall be registered before the 1st day of May next.

Warrants for interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, due for slaves executed; warrants for which interest shall issue on the 1st day of January annually.

Warrants on the unappropriated 2-10ths of the taxes of 1783.

Warrants to venire-men and witnesses attending criminal prosecutions where the attendance has been since the October General Court in the year 1783.

Warrants to apprehenders of horse stealers. There are likewise to be under the Certificate Law the following taxes, viz.

On land, 20 s. for every 100 l. or one per cent. ad valorem.

On every free male above the age of 21 years, 10 s.

On all slaves above the age of 16 years, 10 s.

On every horse, mare, colt and mule, each 2 s.

On cattle of all ages, each 3 d.

On all riding carriages, 5 s. per wheel.

On every billiard-table, 15 l.

On every ordinary license, 4 l.

These taxes are distrainable for the 31st of January, 1785, and payable into the Treasury at the same time with the taxes under the revenue law.

All sheriffs, collectors of taxes and inspectors, are hereby required to be punctual in making their collections and paying the same into the Treasury agreeable to the several periods directed by law, as nothing will induce a delay in me from proceeding to move for judgment against them on failure. They are likewise further required to take notice that all applications for suspensions of executions must hereafter be made to his Excellency the Governor, who, with advice of Council, has power to remit the interest and damages on judgments where it may appear reasonable so to do.

The certificate tax may be discharged either in specie, military or militia audited certificates, Treasury tobacco notes which were payable to enlisted soldiers at the rate of 20 s. per hundred, or any specie warrant whatsoever.

L. WOOD, jun. Solicitor.

Solicitor's-Office, Jan. 31, 1785.

Choice LAMPBLACK to be Sold at the Printing-Office.

Messieurs RICHARDS and COMPANY,

I Had no Intention of troubling you further, with Stage Matters, till I saw a Piece in your last Paper signed NATHANIEL TWINING, saying, "It would become the Character of a Gentleman, to insert Truth in Public Prints, if he means to take spiteful Liberties against another."—Now I think it a Duty to inform the Public, that it was the said Twining, who told me the Stage would set off on Saturday, and at the Time appointed found three of the Horses ready harnessed, and the people at the Office uneasy at his having rode off the other.—Let them then judge what Credit is due to his Assertions for the future.

JAMES PATTON,

Alexandria, Feb. 23, 1785.

ANECDOTE OF THE KING OF PRUSSIA, King, Author, Philosopher, Poet, Musician, Free-Mason, Economist, Bard, Politician, How had Europe rejoiced if a Christian he'd been, If a MAN, how would he have enraptur'd his Queen,

THE above poetical lines were many years ago handed about Berlin, and shewn to that great legislator the Prussian Monarch, who deemed it a libel because it was true; and instead of employing a counsel, filing an information, and taking other tedious methods; took a more summary way of punishing the author, who, he knew from internal evidence, must be Voltaire, at that time resident in Berlin.

He sent his Serjeant at Arms, one of the tall regiment, not with a mace and scrap of parchment, but with such an instrument as the English drummers use for the good of the foot soldiers who commit any offence against the law military.—The Prussian hero went to the house of the poet, and told him he came by his Majesty's special command, to reward him for an Epigram on his Royal Master, by administering thirty lashes on his naked back. The poor Philosopher knew that remonstrance was vain, and after submitting with the best grace he could, opened the door and made the farewell *conge* to his unwelcome visitor, who did not offer to depart, but told him with the most Germanic gravity, "that the ceremony was not yet concluded, for that the Monarch he had the honor of serving must be convinced that his commission was punctually fulfilled, on which account he must have a receipt." This also was submitted to and given in manner and form following,

"Received from the right arm of CORAD

"BACHOFFER, thirty lashes on my naked back,

"being in full for an Epigram on FREDERICK the

"Third, King of PRUSSIA, by

"VOLTAIRE,

"VIVE LE ROY!"

PRICES CURRENT, ALEXANDRIA.

TOBACCO 30 s. per Ct.	Continental Rum, 2 s. to 2½ per Ditto.
Fine Flour, 30 s. per Barrel.	Molasses, 1/6 per Ditto.
Wheat, 6 s. per Bushel.	Muscovado Sugar, 38 s. to 45 s. per Ct.
Jamaica Spirits, 4/6 per Gallon.	Salt, 6 s. per Bushel, by Retail.
Windward Rum, 3 s. to 3½ per Ditto.	Corn, 3 s. per Bushel.
	Exchange, 40.

To be Let,

On Ground-Rent for ever,

SUNDRY Lots of Ground adjoining this Town. The Ground will be shewn, and the Terms made known by Mr. OLIVER PRICE in Alexandria, or the Subscriber.

DAVID GRIFFITH,

Alexandria, Feb. 24, 1785.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

WAS taken away from the Subscriber's Plantation, on Shenandoah, Berkely County, near the Blomary, a likely young Virginia-born NEGRO WENCH, about 17 years of age, full-breasted, remarkably black, round-faced, and upwards of 5 feet high: She took with her a coarse white linsley jacket, a striped linsley petticoat, a white linen coat and apron, a white handkerchief, straw hat, very ordinary shoes and stockings, and was brought up to plantation work.—She was taken off by GEORGE LEWIS, a Dutchman, who speaks broken English, and formerly lived at Alexandria, but of late was a waggoner to Capt. Brady: He is a short thick fellow, of a pale complexion, and has light brown hair; had on when he went away a pea jacket lined with white flannel, a pair of breeches of the same colour, and a felt hat half worn.—Whoever apprehends the said Fellow and Wench, and secures them so that I get them again, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges paid if brought home.

BENJAMIN RANKINS.

Feb. 13, 1785.

Just received, and to be Sold on the most reasonable Terms, at the Printing-Office, A Variety of elegant PAPER-HANGINGS.

THE Subscriber having purchased a farm in the upper part of Fairfax County, means to decline the practice of physic in Alexandria; he will therefore consider himself much favored if all those who are indebted to him will prepare for an immediate settlement:—He will hold himself in readiness to discharge any accounts that are against him, presented any time after the 30th day of next month, relying much upon the punctuality of such as stand in arrears for his professional services; and he is sorry to add, that his late engagements will shortly oblige him to enforce a settlement with such as have a considerable time shewn too great an unwillingness thereto.

He will sell on very low terms for cash, wheat or tobacco, his Shop with the greatest part of his Medicines and Shop-Furniture.

ELISHA C. DICK.

Alexandria, Feb. 23, 1785.

For Sale on the Premises, under the Will of the late Rev. Mr. JOHN SCOTT, upon Thursday the 14th Day of next April,

TWO TRACTS of LAND, lying on Town-Run and Elk-Run in the lower end of Fauquier County, and joining on Brenton; the one containing 832 acres, the other 678; considerably more than one half of these Tracts of Land is still in woods, there being on the first but one plantation, on the other two, one of which is small; they lie level, and the soil is good, and well adapted to the culture of tobacco, Indian-corn, and wheat; there is a meadow on each tract, and more may be made, there being a considerable quantity of low ground fit for that purpose; the situation is about 25 miles from Frederickburg, 18 from Dumfries, and 30 from Alexandria; possession will be given to the purchaser of the larger tract immediately, and of the other at the end of the year, with 4000 lb. of crop tobacco, for which it is rented for the present year only.—One fourth of the purchase-money to be paid when possession is given, the remainder in four annual payments, the purchaser giving bond with approved security, bearing interest from the date.—Any person inclinable to purchase may see the lands before the sale by applying to Mr. Henry D. Hope, who lives in the neighbourhood.

Also for sale upon the premises, on Thursday the 21st of April next, 1200 acres of LAND on Wolf-Run in Fairfax County, about 16 miles from Alexandria, and 15 from Colchester; two-thirds of this land is in woods, the soil fertile, and exceedingly well watered; there are several orchards and other small improvements on it, and the whole is at present rented for 4500 pounds of crop tobacco.—The terms the same as the foregoing, and the lands will be shewn by Mr. Edwards in the neighbourhood.—Any person inclinable to treat privately for either of the above tracts of land before the day of sale will please to apply to the Subscriber.

ELIZA SCOTT, Executrix.

Prince-William County, Feb. 14, 1785.

For Sale at Fauquier Court-House, on Monday the 20th of March next, several high bred Fillies of the Arabian, Fearnought and Liberty breed, a young Bay Horse suitable for a carriage or the saddle, and several blooded Colts.—Six months credit will be given, the purchasers giving bond with approved security, bearing interest from the date if not punctually paid.

E. SCOTT.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or stolen from the Subscribers some time in May last, a bay MARE, about fourteen hands and an half high, six years old, branded G R, though not easily discerned, with a star in her forehead, a small snip in her nose, the right hind footlock white, has a number of grey hairs round the root of her tail, and is a natural trotter.—A bay horse COLT, one year old, was lost at the same time, and is supposed to have been taken off with her.—Whoever delivers the said Mare and Colt to the Subscribers, shall receive the above reward, or Ten Dollars for either.

RICHARD ARELL,

GEORGE MASON.

Alexandria, Jan. 28, 1785.

All persons having any demands against the Subscriber are requested to bring them in that they may be settled; and those whose accounts have been long standing, would much oblige him by settling them immediately, and thereby prevent trouble and expence.

JOHN LOMAX.

Alexandria, Feb. 19, 1785.

Samuel H. M'Pherson,

At Messieurs Hooe and Harrison's Store, No. 7, HAS for sale, Port wine, porter, cheese, ticks of feathers, and a pretty general assortment of European GOODS, cheap for cash, country produce, officers, soldiers, and any kind of liquidated certificates.

Alexandria, Feb. 23, 1785.

POETRY.

L I F E.

"AS the pure snow, by rustling winds when driv'n
Sweet soft'ning gift of an indulgent Heav'n;
And as the timid doe whose swift alarm,
All unoffending, hath the power to charm,
Is INFANCY.

As the fair spring in op'ning blossoms gay,
As a bright rising sun portends the day:
As the kind earth by gentle dews refresh'd,
So by the gift of education blest,
Is YOUTH.

As the tall cedar o'er the lesser trees,
As the proud rivers more than fountains please,
As the full sheaf rewarding labour past,
Blest by the sun, not hurt by noxious blast,
Is MANHOOD.

As the descending regent of the day,
With milder radiance makes the Heav'n's gay:
So in the eve of life well-spent, we find,
The mind instructive, and the soul resign'd,
To death, in AGE."

To be Sold at Public Vendue on the Premises, on
Tuesday the 3d Day of April next,

A Valuable PLANTATION, lying within six miles of Alexandria, containing 200 acres, whereon is a good dwelling-house, with two rooms on a floor, and a good brick chimney; a good kitchen, meat-house, corn-house with a room below, stable, and other out-houses, a spring of good water within 100 yards of the door, a good apple and peach orchard, and a young orchard; about 8 acres of meadow cleared and well laid down in Timothy, and a quantity more may be made.—The land produces good Indian-corn, tobacco, and small grain, and all under very good fence; there are 35 bushels of wheat sown on the land in one body, and looks as well as any in the county.—One-third of the purchase-money to be paid down, one-third in twelve months after, and the other third at the expiration of twelve months more, on giving bond with approved security for the two payments, and may be entered upon immediately after the day of sale.—On the same day will also be sold for ready-money, horses, cows, hogs, corn, fodder, hay, farming utensils, and household and kitchen furniture.

On Thursday the 5th of April next, will be sold in Alexandria, a Lot of Ground on Queen-street, containing 61 feet front and 122 feet back, whereon is a good two-story brick-house, with four fireplaces on a floor and two in the cellar, a good store-room, and rents at 100 l. per year; there is an addition to it with two rooms above and a cellar below, that rents at 30 l. per year, and a good spring of water on the Lot.—Also, a Lot on the same street, 30 feet front and 122 feet back, whereon is a good house not finished, with a good cellar below, with a fireplace.—Also, another Lot on the same street, being a corner Lot, containing 30 feet front and running 122 feet on Pitt-street, whereon is a log-house with a brick chimney.—Also, a Lot on Pitt-street, 61 feet front and 123 feet back, whereon is a good tan-yard and mill-house.—The terms of sale for the Lots will be the same as for the above Plantation.—Good deeds will be made for the Plantation and Lots by
Jan. 26, 1785. SAMUEL M'LEAN.

For Sale,

A Valuable TRACT of LAND, lying in Frederick County, Virginia, containing 1100 acres, within eight miles of Winchester, on the main road from thence to Philadelphia, and within two miles of three merchant mills; there are on said land, a good two-story dwelling-house and other convenient buildings, with a good orchard and meadow, and tolerably well timbered.—One third of the purchase-money to be paid down, one fourth of the balance at the expiration of two years, another fourth at four years, another fourth at six years, and the remainder at eight years, from the day of sale.—Interest will be expected from the date of the bonds.—The price may be known by applying to Mr. Charles M'Donald on the premises, or to Mr. Nathaniel Burwell of Carter's Grove, on James-River, or to the Subscriber in York County, near Williamsburg.
NATHANIEL BURWELL, jun.
Nov. 19, 1784.

A L M A N A C K S,
For the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Five, may be had at the Printing-Office, Alexandria, Wholesale and Retail,

TO THE PUBLIC.

PROPOSALS for printing by subscription, a complete translation of the Odes, Epodes and Secular Poems of Horace, in English verse; which as it is the first work of that nature ever attempted in America, it is hoped, will meet with every encouragement from the candid and judicious citizens of these States. The five books, together with every particular Ode and Epode, are addressed to many distinguished civil and military characters among us. Besides the literal translations from the original, there are a number of Imitations and Paraphrases, entirely adapted to the meridian of this country, and the genius of its inhabitants. It is likewise proposed to publish a few poetical translations from Virgil, Ovid, Tibullus, Anacreon, and our own Beveridge, with two or three modern Latin Odes.—Also a number of Original Poems, consisting of Pastorals, Elegies, Satires, Letters, Songs; Masonic, New-Year's, Birth-Day and other Odes; Fables, Epigrams, Epitaphs, Rebus; Distichal Panegyrics, on Ladies of Distinction, and other Poetical Miscellanies.—To which will be added a Pastoral Drama, on the Birth-Day of our late Commander in Chief, and the Return of Peace; inscribed to the Governor of Pennsylvania, with a Prologue written by a Lady, a Critical Preface addressed to the Subscribers, and an Epistle Dedicatory of the whole, to his Excellency General Washington.

The above work is the production of a young gentleman, late an officer of rank in the American army. It is therefore to be expected that every gentleman civil and military, in the United States, who wish to encourage the arts and sciences in this rising Empire, will patronize a work, which we presume, cannot fail to merit their approbation, more particularly as it is a cyon of American growth, and as such is entitled to the countenance and protection of the sons and daughters of freedom in this western hemisphere.

Such ladies and gentlemen who are pleased to honor this work with their subscriptions, will have their places of abode, names, rank and titles, whether literary, civil or military, inserted in the book, as laudable encouragers of arts and genius.

C O N D I T I O N S.

This work is intended to be printed in a large handsome octavo volume, on a good paper with a neat type, and to contain between three and four hundred pages.—It will be sent to press as soon as five hundred subscribers have signed their names. The price to each subscriber will be Three Dollars, a sum hardly adequate to so arduous an undertaking; the half of which is to be paid at the time of subscribing, to enable the printer to expedite the work, and the residue at the delivery of the book. It is to be observed that no more volumes will be printed than the exact number subscribed for; and they who enter their names for more than a dozen books, will have the usual discount allowed them.

Subscriptions will be received by Col. Thomas Chase, at Boston; Col. Samuel Wyllis, in Hartford, Connecticut; Dr. Charles M'Knight, New-York; Mr. Isaac Collins, Printer in Trenton, New-Jersey; Col. Thomas Proctor, High Sheriff of Philadelphia, Col. Eleazer Oswald, at the Coffee-House, Messrs. Dunlap and Claypoole, Printers, and Major Samuel Nicholas, at the Conestogoe-Waggon in Philadelphia; Mr. John Barnaby, Merchant, Head of Elk, Cecil-County; Mr. John Carnan, near the Head of Bohemia; the Rev. Dr. Smith, Provost of the College at Chester-Town; Mr. James Ryan, Merchant, Mr. William Murphy, Bookeller, Messrs. Goddard and Langworthy, and Mr. Hayes, Printers, and at Major William Brown's, and Mr. T. De Witt's Coffee-Houses in Baltimore-Town; Messrs. F. and S. Green, Printers in Annapolis; Mr. Charles Allen, Merchant in Cambridge, E. S. of Maryland; Col. Fitzgerald, and the Printers in Alexandria; Mr. William Carr and Mr. Richard Graham, Merchants, Dumfries; John Lewis, Esquire, and Col. William M'Williams, Frederickburg; Mr. John Stockdell, Merchant, and Mr. James Hayes, Printer in Richmond; Mr. William Knox, Merchant in Peterburgh, Virginia; and by Dr. Ramsey, Major Weede, and Dr. Fallen, in Charleston, South-Carolina.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

ON the 22d of last month was stolen out of my stable, a bay HORSE, with black mane and tail, black legs, has several saddle-spots, is crest fallen and branded upon the near buttock B, about 15 hands high, 12 years old, trots and gallops easy, but cuts his ancles a little with his hind shoes; he was Major George Washington's saddle-horse during the invasion in 1781, and mine for several years before and since.—It is supposed he is stole by a Frenchman that calls himself PEILLON, who is of a middle size, dark complexion, about 30 years old, is well dressed, and wore here a blue coat with a red waistcoat with three rows of buttons.—Whoever brings the said horse to me shall have the above reward, and double on conviction of the thief.
JOHN BROWNLOW,
Fredericksburg, Feb. 8, 1785.

THE Vestries of the different parishes throughout the State, being by an act passed the last session to be dissolved on Easter day next, and the Vestries being by the same act empowered to levy all arrearages and legal demands against the parishes, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Vestry of Fairfax Parish, that the Vestry will meet at the vestry-house, near the Falls church, on Wednesday the 16th day of March next, for the purpose of settling all claims and levying all arrearages; and all persons having demands against that parish, or who have undertaken the care of the parish poor, are desired to attend: And the members of the Protestant Episcopal Church are hereby informed that an election of vestrymen will be held at the vestry-house, on the Monday in next Easter week, agreeably to the directions of the beforementioned act.

DAVID GRIFFITH, Minister.
R. T. HOOE, } Church Wardens.
W. PAYNE, }

Feb. 10, 1785.

Brenton, Virginia, Prince-William County,
Jan. 8, 1785.

On Monday the 4th of April next, if fair, if not the next fair Day, will be offered for Sale, at Mr. William M'Daniel's Tavern, in the Town of Dumfries,

ABOUT 4000 acres of LAND, being part of that noted tract of land, called and well known by the name of the Brenton-Tract; it lies about 17 miles from Dumfries, 30 or 35 from Alexandria, and 28 from Fredericksburg.—At Dumfries the highest navigation, there is always a good and ready market for every kind of country produce, and the two last mentioned towns are the most considerable on the two rivers of Potomack and Rappahannock.—This land produces very good tobacco, wheat, corn, &c. is particularly well adapted to farming, being very level, can always be improved with little expence, and is remarked for its superior excellence in producing wheat; there is on it some land which may be converted into good meadow land, and 12 or 14 good merchant mills within 30 miles, three of them as high as 8 miles.—The tobacco made on the land is esteemed among the best carried to Dumfries, the best inspection on Potomack.—The land will be laid off in lots of 1, 2 or 300 acres.—Three years credit will be given, provided the interest is regularly and punctually paid.—Bond carrying interest from the day of sale, with approved and sufficient security, will be required.—The land will be shewn by the subscriber living on the premises.—Several blooded Nags will be sold at the same time.

DANIEL CARROLL BRENT.

FORTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscriber the 24th of August last, a remarkable black strong-made Negro Man, named PETER, late the property of Mr. Benjamin Foreman, about 5 feet 9 inches high, about 22 years of age, but appears older, with large staring eyes, small legs, and has lost four of his toes from his right foot: He had on when he went away a mixed grey great coat, tow linen shirt and trousers, old shoes and a felt hat, but may have changed his clothes.—Whoever takes up said Negro, and secures him in any gaol so that his Master may get him again, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home.

MICHAEL M'KEWAN.

Martinburg, Berkeley County, Dec. 27, 1784.
N. B. Said Negro was raised with Mr. John Werington, and formerly belonged to Mr. Alexander Catlet, near Seneca in Maryland.

Whereas the Copartner-

ship of CALLENDER, LEWIS and COMPANY, is dissolved, it is requested that all Persons who are indebted to the Rope-Walk, or have any Demands against it, will bring in their Accounts for Settlement.

The Subscriber begs Leave to inform his Friends and Customers, that he intends carrying on the Ropemaking Business in all its Branches.—Any Orders for Cordage or white Rope will be particularly attended to.—As he superintends this Business himself, he makes no Doubt of giving Satisfaction to those who will favor him with their Custom.
ELEAZER CALLENDER.

Fredericksburg, Jan. 26, 1785.

The Drawing of the George-

Town ACADEMY LOTTERY is unavoidably put off till the Third Monday in May next,
George-Town, Feb. 2, 1785.

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